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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S ATLANTIC CITY SPEECH IS NOTED IN MOZAMBIQUE PRESS

1. SECRETARY VANCE'S JUNE 20 SPEECH TO THE US JAYCEES AT ATLANTIC CITY ON SUBJECT THE US AND AFRICA RECEIVED A MODERATELY FAVORABLE REVIEW IN THE EDITORIAL SECTION ("COMENTARIO") OF JULY 18 EDITION OF MAPUTO ONLY DAILY PAPER. "NOTICIAS"

2. THE COMMENTARY WAS TITLED "THE BIRTH OF THE DISAGREEING VOICE OF US POLICY FOR AFRICA" AND CLASSIFIED THE SECRETARY AS A "DOVE" WHEN CONTRASTED WITH SOME ADMINISTRATION "HAWKS". THE EDITORIAL IS CAST IN SOCIALIST LANGUAGE, NOTING US "FAILURES" IN ASIA, AND "ASSISTANCE TO ARMED INTERVENTION IN ZAIRE". BUT IT STATES THAT "VANCE SPOKE IN FAVOR OF MODERATION AND RECONCILIATION IN AFRICA, WHILE RECOGNIZING A POSSIBLE CONFRONTATION BETWEEN THE WEST AND SOCIALIST COUNTRIES IN AFRICA, WHICH HE SAID HE NEITHER DESIRES NOR ENCOURAGES." THE EDITORIAL CONCLUDED BY SAYING THAT IT IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER THE "HAWKS" OR DOVES" WILL DEFINE AMERICA'S AFRICA POLICY, BUT STRESSED THAT VANCE'S SPEECH IS A SIGNIFICANT INDICATOR.

3. COMMENT: WHILE THE EDITORIAL STAGED FAR AWAY FROM PRAISE OF US POLICY, THE REASONABLE TONE USED IN COMMENTING ON THE UNCLASSIFIED

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SECRETARY'S SPEECH IS SOMETHING THAT IS SELDOM FOUND IN MOZAMBIQUE STRIDENTLY PRO-SOCIALIST MEDIA.
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